

## Project Update: October 2017

We concluded our sampling period for the summer 2017. From April 18th to 21st July 2017. We conducted 17 days of monitoring. We spent more than 100 hours at sea, covering about 1,600 km. We registered 57 sightings along the Canal de Ballenas and the Bahía de los Angeles Bay and we sighted 60 individuals: 36 fin whales (*Balaenoptera physalus*), 12 humpback whales (*Megaptera novaeangliae*) and 10 Bryde's whale (*Balaenoptera edeni*). Although the number of fin whales were lower than last year, the number of humpback whales and Bryde's whale increased. In addition, this year, we had the opportunity to take aerial surveys with drones of fin whales, which was taken by a relative of our primary researcher. The images are stunning! We look forward to continue the project.



